Amendments To the Claims:

Please amend the claims as shown. Applicants reserve the right to pursue any cancelled claims at a later date.

1. (currently amended) A communication system for establishing a broadband connection between a plurality of subscribers by switches in a communication network, comprising:

a calling subscriber that sends a plurality of bandwidth requests, the plurality of bandwidth requests having a broadband request; ~~and~~

a switch operatively connected to the calling subscriber that selects a minimum bandwidth , the minimum bandwidth being the smallest bandwidth within the plurality of bandwidth requests~~;~~**;**

~~wherein~~ a minimum connection is established **between the calling subscriber and the called subscriber** using the minimum bandwidth**; and**

a broadband connection for the broadband request is not established until after the called subscriber has answered in the event that the called subscriber is unavailable.

2. (previously presented) A communication system according to Claim 1, wherein a data stream determined by the calling subscriber is transmitted via the minimum connection.

3. (previously presented) A communication system according to Claim 1, wherein one of the subscribers first initiates the establishment of the minimum connection and thereafter the establishment of the broadband connection.

4. (previously presented) A communication system according to Claim 15, wherein the calling subscriber is charged as early as the broadband connection setup phase.

5. (previously presented) A communication system according to Claim 4, wherein the establishment of the broadband connection has a higher priority in the communication

network than the establishment of broadband connections which are not charged for during the broadband connection setup phase.

6. (currently amended) A method for establishing a broadband connection between a plurality of subscribers in a communication network, comprising:

receiving a plurality of bandwidth requests from a calling subscriber operatively connected to a switch, the plurality of bandwidth requests having a broadband request;

determining a minimum bandwidth by the switch, the minimum bandwidth being the smallest value within the bandwidth request;

establishing a minimum connection between **the calling subscriber and a called subscriber** ~~**subscribers**~~ using the minimum bandwidth**, a broadband connection for the broadband request is not established until after the called subscriber has answered in the event that the called subscriber is unavailable**; and

establishing a connection **after the called subscriber has answered** between the subscribers using the plurality of bandwidth requests and excluding the minimum bandwidth after establishing the minimum connection.

7. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 6, wherein a data stream determined by the calling subscriber is transmitted via the minimum connection.

8. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 6, wherein the calling subscriber initiates the establishment of a second broadband connection.

9. (previously presented) A method for charging for a broadband connection between a plurality of subscribers in a communication network, comprising:

indicating a high priority broadband connection by the subscriber initiating the connection;

establishing the high priority broadband connection prior to establishing a non-high priority broadband connection; and

~~initiating charges for the high priority broadband connection to the subscriber requesting the connection during setup of the connection.~~ **charging the subscriber requesting the high priority broadband connection during setup up of the high priority broadband connection and before the high priority broadband connection has been established.**

10. (previously presented) A method according to Claim 9, wherein the establishment of the broadband connection has a higher priority in the communication network than the establishment of broadband connections which are not charged for during the broadband connection setup phase.

11. (previously presented) A communication system according to Claim 2, wherein one of the subscribers first initiates the establishment of the minimum connection and thereafter the establishment of the broadband connection.

12. (currently amended) A ~~communication system~~ **method** according to Claim **6** ~~15~~, wherein the calling subscriber is charged as early as the broadband connection setup phase.

13. (previously presented) A communication system according to Claim 3, wherein the calling subscriber is charged as early as the broadband connection setup phase.

14. (original) A method according to Claim 7, wherein a calling subscriber first initiates the establishment of a minimum connection and thereafter the establishment of the broadband connection.

15. (currently amended) A ~~method~~ **communication system** according to Claim 1, wherein upon receiving a minimum connection answer message the switch is adapted to establish a connection using the plurality of bandwidth requests and excluding the minimum bandwidth request, the connection includes the broadband connection.

16. (canceled)

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18. (canceled)

19. (new) A method for charging for a broadband connection between a calling subscriber and a called subscriber in a communication network, comprising:

indicating a high priority broadband connection by the calling subscriber requesting the connection;

establishing the high priority broadband connection prior to establishing a non-high priority broadband connection; and

charging the calling subscriber during setup of the high priority broadband connection so that the calling subscriber is charged from the high priority broadband connection in the event a called subscriber does not answer.

20. (new) A method according to Claim 19, wherein the establishment of the broadband connection charged for during the connection setup phase has a higher priority in the network than a broadband connection not charged during the connection setup phase.